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SUBJECT: BLUE LANTERN: INFORMATION FOR CASE NUMBER 05-919744

REF: A. A. STATE 117955

[1](#)B. B. STATE 70020

[1](#)1. ON 26 MAY 2004, EMBASSY RECEIVED A TURKISH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) DIP NOTE (2004/ALGY/223961), WHICH CONTAINED A RESPONSE TO OUR INQUIRY FOR INFORMATION RELATED TO REF B HELICOPTER PARTS ORDER FOR BLUE LANTERN CASE NUMBER 05-919744.

[1](#)2. THE MFA CONFIRMED THAT THE TURKISH LAND FORCES HAD ORDERED THE INVENTORIED PARTS OUTLINED IN THE PURCHASE ORDER DESCRIBED IN REF B FROM A COMPANY CALLED DEFENSE LOGISTICS AND AVIATION COMPANY.

[1](#)3. THE MFA ADDED THAT IN THEIR DIALOGUE WITH TURKISH LAND FORCES, "NO PRIOR NEGATIVE OPINION HAD BEEN FORMED" ABOUT THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AND AVIATION COMPANY, SINCE THIS WAS THE FIRST INSTANCE OF THE TURKISH ARMED FORCES' ISSUING A PROCUREMENT TENDER THROUGH THIS COMPANY.

[1](#)4. EMBASSY HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO APPROVAL OF THIS TRANSACTION.
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